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Enclosed herewith for filing is a patent application, as follows:

Inventor(s): Vargas, Jaime S.; et. al.

Title: Integrated Anastomosis System

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67 page(s) Specification (not including claims)  
9 page(s) Claims  
1 page Abstract  
34 Sheet(s) of Drawings  
1 page Nonpublication Request  
X Applicant(s) assert(s) entitlement to small entity status for the attached patent application.

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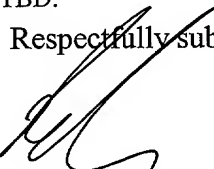
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| <b>REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION<br/>UNDER<br/>35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)</b> | Inventors          | Vargas, Jaime S.; et. al.                           |  |
|  | Title              | System for Preparing a Graft Vessel for Anastomosis |  |
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